

# TRACKS SAFARIS

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### **PAINTED DOGS OF ZIMBABWE**

### **JOURNEY TO MANA POOLS AND HWANGE NATIONAL PARKS**

**3 nights Victoria Falls Hotel, 3 nights Somalisa Expeditions, 3 nights Zambezi Expeditions, 3 nights Nyamatusi Camp**  
**Safari starts in Victoria Falls and ends in Harare - Zimbabwe**



A wonderful safari enjoying 4 x 4 and walking safaris and the chance to canoe and fish on the great Zambezi River. Immerse yourself in the wildlife of Zimbabwe's wild and remote parks and experience the great open spaces, fabulous skies and these two outstandingly beautiful but very different national parks.

You will visit the Painted Dog Conservation Centre in Hwange National park and see the work they are doing both with conservation and local communities and hopefully have the opportunity to view these marvellous predators first hand in the wild – both on a 4 x 4 safari and on foot!

### **Day One**

Arrive Victoria Falls where you are met and transferred to the Victoria Falls Hotel for 3 nights on a bed and breakfast basis to rest and recuperate after your long international flight. The Victoria Falls Hotel Built in 1904, The Victoria Falls Hotel was the very first hotel to be built in Victoria Falls. The hotel exudes original Edwardian charm but recent refurbishments offer guests the modern comforts one would expect from a luxury hotel.

The Victoria Falls Hotel perfectly depicts the era of grand travel. The corridors of the hotel reflect the historical link to the era in which it was created with drawings, paintings and photographs of the major political figures of the day adorning the walls.

The hotel lies within a vast manicured garden which has an unobscured view of the Victoria Falls bridge and the spray of the Falls. A private path leads guests from the gardens to the entrance of the Victoria Falls rainforest in an easy 10 minute stroll.

Victoria Falls offers a myriad of activities suitable for young and old, adventurous or lethargic to enjoy. The Victoria Falls Hotel is perfectly positioned within the town to enjoy all Victoria Falls has to the fullest.



### **DAY FOUR**

Transfer to Victoria Falls airport in time to board your light aircraft flight to Hwange. On arrival you will be met and transferred to Somasalisa Expeditions for 3 nights on a fully inclusive basis.

Capturing the ambiance of a mobile camp but with all the trimmings, Somasalisa Expeditions offers with authenticity and comfort. Somasalisa Expeditions has just 7 ensuite tents and both the communal areas and guest tents are built on the ground giving you a closer connection to the true wilderness experience, without sacrificing any comforts.

You can get quite close to elephants who come to drink at the elephant pool if you sit quietly on the decking in front of the water which is a highlight of this camp.

Set within a private concession in the Hwange National Park, you can expect flexibility in all your activities, including walking safaris and game drives. Here you will be accompanied by our truly knowledgeable guides who possess a true passion for their trade.





#### **DAY SEVEN**

Today you will transfer to the airstrip for your light aircraft flight to Mana Pools National Park where you will be met and transferred to Zambezi Expeditions for 3 nights on a fully inclusive basis.

Zambezi Expeditions showcases one of the most magnificent settings in Zimbabwe's iconic Mana Pools National Park. Comfortable yet classic, the camp offers the kind of intimacy with nature that can only be achieved by immersing yourself in the heart of the wild. Fall asleep to the sound of the flowing river and chuckles of hippo and wake-up with the dawn chorus to a spectacular African sunrise. At Zambezi Expeditions you will connect with nature in a deep and meaningful way.

Activities include guided walking safaris, canoeing safaris and game drives all led by our qualified and passionate guides who will share their knowledge and love of the bush with you.



## DAY TEN

Today you will transfer by road to Nyamatusi Camp for 3 nights on a fully inclusive basis. The camp is set in one of the wildest and most remote parts of Mana Pools on the banks of the Zambezi River.

Nyamatusi allows you to experience and explore a really remote area of the park on foot and in 4 x 4 game vehicles. With just 6 luxurious ensuite tented rooms this camp enjoys absolutely stunning views across the Zambezi Valley and is a wonderful place to end your Zimbabwe safari!

Activities include walking safaris - led by qualified and passionate guides who will share their knowledge and love of the bush with you - 4 x 4 game drives, fishing and canoeing.



## DAY THIRTEEN

Today you will transfer back to the airstrip for your light aircraft flight to Harare arriving in time to check in for your international flight back home.



## HWANGE WILDLIFE

Teeming with wildlife, Hwange is home to the world's largest population of elephant, along with buffalo, sable, roan antelope, giraffe, wildebeest, impala, gemsbok, hyena, wild dog and over 400 bird species including the racket-tailed roller, carmine bee-eater, and southern ground hornbill to name a few.



### **MANA POOLS WILDLIFE**

Elephant, eland, buffalo, impala, waterbuck, baboons, monkeys, zebra, warthog and hippo are some of the larger herbivores to be seen regularly on the river terraces as they come out to eat the fallen albida fruit. Lions, leopards, spotted hyena, wild dogs and cheetah are present in the area. Birding is also phenomenal in this region.



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